



RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 1648

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Ashley J. Birkett)
Serial No.: 09/930,915) PATENT
Filed: August 15, 2001) Attorney Docket
For: IMMUNOGENIC HBc CHIMER) LOR-102.2
PARTICLES HAVING ENHANCED) (9720/81175)
STABILITY) Group Art No.
Examiner: Peng Bo, PhD) 1648

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

MAIL STOP AF
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

A one-month extension of time in response to the
Office Action mailed July 10, 2006, is respectfully requested.

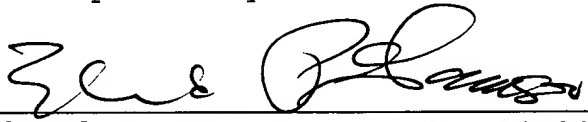
There is submitted herewith the following:

1. Reply and Amendment;
2. Exhibits 1-3;
3. Form PTO/SB/08A; and

4. Check No. 102207 in the amount of \$120.00 for the fee for a one-month extension of time.

No further fee or petition is believed to be necessary in addition to those that are enclosed. Should any fee be needed, please charge our Deposit Account No. 23-0920, and deem this paper to be the required petition.

Respectfully submitted,

By 
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ENCLOSURES:

Reply and Amendment
Exhibits 1-3
Form PTO/SB/08A
Fee for one-month extension of time

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this Petition for One-Month Extension of Time and its enclosures, are being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to Mail Stop AF, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on October 5, 2006.


Edward P. Gamson